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- (a) (1) The Department shall develop guidelines for the establishment of comprehensive induction programs for new teachers.
- (2) In developing the guidelines under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Department shall consult with local school systems and the Maryland Education Deans and Directors Council.
 - (b) The guidelines shall:
 - (1) Include provisions concerning the following:
 - (i) Mentoring; and
 - (ii) Professional development training and support; and
- (2) Incorporate the framework of the Teacher Induction, Retention, and Advancement Pilot Program.
- (c) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, a mentor teacher for a teacher in an induction program shall be a highly competent teacher selected by the local school system who will work to instill in the teacher the skills and knowledge for the next generation of teachers.
- (2) After the career ladder system established under Subtitle 10 of this title is well established, mentor teachers will be selected using criteria from the career ladder system.

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